

SAGUACHE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

The Meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Jason Anderson, at 9:01 A.M., with the following members present:

Jason Anderson, Commissioner, Board Chair
Ken Anderson, Commissioner
Tim Lovato, Commissioner
Wendi Maez, County Co-Administrator/Land Use Administrator
Lyn Lambert, County Co-Administrator
Ben Gibbons, County Attorney
Rhiannon Curry for Carla Gomez, Clerk to the Board

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Board Chair, Jason Anderson, invited those in attendance to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

1. Remove the Public Lands Discussion

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO APPROVE THE MINUTES

OF THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2016, REGULAR SESSION MEETING AS AMENDED.

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Review of Mail and Other Correspondence: Mail 10/04/2016

1. **Rio Grande Water Conservation District** Board sent a reminder for the next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting on October 18, 2016 at 10:00A.M.
2. **Concern Mountain States Children's Home** sent the September issue of their newsletter.
3. **SLV Extension** sent the August report
4. **CDOT** sent an email stating that they have rescheduled the Region 5 yearly meetings with the Commissioners and the Tribal Council for spring of 2017.
5. **Stephanie J. Mitchell, Environmental Protection Specialist, Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety**, sent a Notice of 110c Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Release Request Consideration that was received from Southway Construction Company. They request a full reclamation release from Swede Corners Pit, Permit N. M-1998-087. Comments or objections should be submitted within 15 days. (9/29/16)

Introduction of Guests:

Sandia Belgrade – Crestone Eagle
Teresa Benns – Center Post-Dispatch

Simeon Smilack

Public Comments: Sandia Belgrade from the Crestone Eagle asks the BOCC, if they will be giving themselves a 30% pay increase. This questions stems from the article in the Alamosa paper stating that Governor Hickenlooper passed a bill to give all elected officials a pay raise. Response from the BOCC was that they would not be taking a pay raise, as the County could not afford to pay it. If all of the Elected Officials accepted a raise at 30%, it would end up being an increase to the budget of over \$100,000.00. Mrs. Belgrade also asked the BOCC if all of them were a liaison to a department, as Commissioner Lovato was to Public Health, and specifically who is the liaison for the Assessor. The BOCC response to this was yes, there is a liaison for all departments, however the Assessor is an Elected Official and not a Department Head, therefore there no liaison for that department. The Commissioners also offered to give her a list of the departments and the liaison's for each department.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Jason Anderson:

09/21 – Attended the San Luis Valley Collaboration Summit training for the Summit held October 12th. This group came together and ran through some exercises. Was asked to be a facilitator.

09/23 – Attended the Commissioners work session & conducted interviews for the CTC Coordinator position.

09/23 – Wrote second support letter for the Crestone Hub, for the GOCO Inspire grant.
 09/27 – Wrote a short story for the Crestone Eagle on the 12 Hours bike race.
 09/27 – Attended the Rio Grande Forest planning meeting. Forest Service is taking comments, planning meetings, and doing an overall good job. They are trying to set up a system where they can make changes faster than they have been able to previously. This is a great idea as changes happen regularly.
 09/28 – Spoke with Teresa Benms of the Center Post-Dispatch concerning the September Commissioners meetings.
 09/29 – Attended the Colorado Outdoor Industry Leadership Summit focused on how to bring economic development through tourism and light manufacturing in the outdoor recreation field.
 09/29 – Attended the CCI Steering Committee meetings. Subjects included proposals for by-law changes. A problem being seen is that a couple of counties have dropped out of the CCI. Instead of this committee deciding to make leaner budget changes, they have decided to increase dues for the remaining counties. Not sure, we are getting out of this committee what we are putting in, especially in regards to dues.
 09/30 – Attended the CCI Steering Committee meetings to review proposed legislation for 2017. Most of this legislation was Urban based and did not affect rural counties.
 10/01 – Attended the Crestone Brewery Oktoberfest.

Commissioner Lovato:

09/23 – Attended the Work Session at Saguache County Commissioner's room, and heard the update from Rocky Mountain UAS.
 09/27 – Met with Administrative District Court Clerk Christina Gallegos about the Court's concern mentioned in the September 17th article in the Valley Courier, pertaining to a proposed one cent sales tax initiative by a bipartisan group in Saguache County. The article stated that the courthouse complex in Saguache County would serve the 12th Judicial District for the six counties, and would become more efficient, possibly reduce staff. The District Court has never been contacted about the courthouse complex or its staff for comment prior to the article.
 In the afternoon re-interviewed a candidate for a second time for the Public Health Director position with Commissioner Ken Anderson.
 09/29 – Met with Co-Administrator Lyn Lambert on the Public Health budget for 2017. Also met with Crowfox Fleming on the status of revenue/expenditures for Public Health
 09/30 – Received a call from a senior citizen about the safety issue of the north entrance of the Department of Social Services and the potential of snow/ice falling on entering individuals. This issue has been addressed with Social Services and they will need to put a bid out to have the issue corrected, and/or speak to Pete Garcia in Maintenance to see if there is something, he can do.

Commissioner Ken Anderson:

09/21 – took a call and came to the courthouse to see the work being done on the front steps. I was asked to evaluate and address the situation.

09/23 – work session at the Courthouse, did interviews for the CTC position and did send out an offer for the position
09/27 – interviewed for the Public Health director – made an offer for this position as well, just waiting on a response. Did go to the airport quite a few times and got some new doors with coded locks installed.

PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR: Presented by Crowfox Christi Fleming and Janet Beiriger, Report Attached

With the loss of a director and the absence of Ms. Fleming due to a personal tragedy, the month of August was a rough month for Public Health. Ms. Fleming, upon her return, and Mrs. Beiriger worked diligently to make up responsibilities of not only their positions, but the responsibilities of the Public Health Director as well. In September there were transfers from the general fund into the Public Health account. Ms. Fleming believes now that billing has been brought to date, as long as expenditures remain low; the transfers should be repaid by the end of the calendar year. There will be multiple billing webinars coming up and attended for Medicaid and Medicare. Billing for these entities have been quite a process with various rejections and acceptances. With the training, we should see more acceptances for this process.

Other trainings have been attended for CTC, OBH, and STEPP in efforts to keep the Public Health department compliant with these contracts. There is a three-day CTC conference beginning October 17th in Durango. This has been booked and can be transferred to whomever the Commissioners hire to assume the role of the CTC Director.

There will be flu vaccinations available for County employees in Saguache on the 17th and in Center on the 18th. They will begin for the public at \$25.00 on October 24th through November 22nd. After November 22nd, appointments can be made to receive any flu shots still available.

Commissioner Tim Lovato thanked both women for all they have done to keep the department going. Mrs. Lambert asked Ms. Fleming to provide her with copies of the Ebola grant, and what monies have been spent so the remaining funds amount can be seen. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson expressed his thanks as well. He understands it has been rough keeping the department together while the Commissioners work to get them whole again. He believes the BOCC has learned a lesson about hiring too quickly, and assures Ms. Fleming and Mrs. Beiriger, they have looked for a good fit, and are doing their best to fill all open positions ASAP. Mrs. Lambert comments that the transition does not seem as difficult this time as in the past, with the help of Commissioner Lovato. Commissioner Lovato appreciates this, but believes it is because of a great staff at Public Health, that has been able to keep things running smoothly. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson expresses concern about the ability to cover positions once there is a full staff in place. Ms. Fleming assures once the department is whole, every position will be covered if there is an absence.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

BEN GIBBONS, COUNTY ATTORNEY:

Mr. Gibbons received the final ruling from the BAA on the Crestone Recreational appeal. They found the petitioner's figure of \$35,500.00 as a value for the property and the building was reasonably supported by their argument, and have ordered the Assessor's office to use this as the value for the next tax year.

Mr. Gibbons advises the BOCC that we should start doing an actual appraisal when there is an appeal such as this. It would only help in the counties arguments. Mr. Gibbons, Jackie Stephens, and Assessor Pete Peterson discussed that they will need to take a more proactive approach to these appeals in the future. Mr. Gibbons responded to Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson's question that he would give a copy of the findings to the Assessor's office.

Mr. Gibbons also prepared a Resolution and Warranty Deed for the purchase agreement with Garth Cooke on the Town of Iris transaction. There was a question as to the nature of the Counties ownership. A Quiet Title was issued to resolve any questions and show the County with full and clear ownership. Mr. Cooke has rendered payment for \$110,467.99, which was acceptable to the board, as the board has the legal authority to sell County owned property. The resolution shows this is legally transferred and recorded. It will be recorded prior to the Warranty Deed prepared.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION G-2016- RESOLUTION AFFIRMING SALE AND TRANSFER OF COUNTY OWNED REAL ESTATE TO GARTH COOKE.

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Ken Anderson asks Mr. Gibbons about the tax cons being in the blue book. Mr. Gibbons informs the Commissioners that he spoke with Clerk and Recorder Carla Gomez briefly, and had to cut a few words, as there was a cap of 500 words. All statutory compliance has been completed. The only thing left to arrange would be a meeting with Mr. Gibbons, Co-Administrator/Land Use Department Head Wendi Maez, and Treasurer Connie Trujillo to determine how the excise tax would be collected should this pass.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CHAIR JASON ANDERSON TO ENTER INTO SAGUACHE COUNTY HOUSINTG AT 10:38A.M.

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CHAIR JASON ANDERSON TO EXIT SAGUACHE COUNTY HOUSING AT 10:50A.M.

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

RANDAL ARREDONDO, ROAD & BRIDGE SUPERVISOR:

Mr. Arredondo questions the Commissioners in regards to charging sales tax for the items being sold out of the Landfill. The Commissioners remind him that only donations can be accepted per previous discussion with Mr. Gibbons, we cannot charge for items.

Mr. Arredondo updates the Commissioners about cleaning up County Road T between 50 and approximately a mile east. There was a complaint from a homeowner about debris along the fence line, as he wants to put up a new fence. This will be worked on around the middle of the month.

Megan Strauss visited Mr. Arredondo to discuss a children's program she is working with and a sales tax grant she has applied for through the State. She was looking for a commitment from Mr. Arredondo for \$30,000.00 per year for 3 years to offset funds received from the sales tax grant. Mr. Arredondo advised Ms. Struass that he might be able to do \$15,000.00. Commissioner Lovato would like to see a breakdown of how the funds will be used. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson suggests Mr. Arredondo adds a line item to his budget and whatever funds are not used would then become a surplus. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson also wants to see a specific line item with a title "Youth Corp" on the revised budget submitted. The program helps to get Saguache County kids working in our county. Pay for the children that participate is minimum wage. Commissioner Lovato would like to see this pay a little higher. It is said that the majority of the money received would be logistical, for things such as leaders, meals, and transportation.

Mr. Arredondo also spoke to the fact that his office manager has accepted another position within the County. He will need to hire someone to replace her as soon as possible. He requests the Commissioners allow him to hire someone in this position at \$20.00 per hour. He does not believe he will be able to hire someone with the qualifications needed for the position at anything less. There is a great deal of duties required with the position, and Mr. Arredondo believes it should be on the same pay scale as a deputy. Mr. Arredondo expresses he cannot afford to hire someone with lack of skill or efficiency, who will not be able to pick up what is required quickly. His concern in hiring someone with less skill would be this candidate telling customers to wait for him to return to be able to answer questions. The Commissioners collectively agree that Mr. Arredondo needs to conduct interviews and then the salary can be decided based on the candidate. If asked questions in regards to salary, he can give the candidates a range and tell them it is qualification determinate.

Mr. Arredondo also questioned what the Commissioners would like to see in terms of access fees. He is not sure if they are looking for a percentage or a dollar figure, as he has

not dealt with this previously. Mr. Arredondo agreed to put together a proposal showing both dollars and percentages for the Commissioners to review.

Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson questions Mr. Arredondo about the road out of Crestone up to North Crestone. Mr. Arredondo replies that it should be done every three weeks. They are planning to tear up the crumbling asphalt and leave it as is, so it is easier and more cost effective to maintain. Commissioner Lovato asks about the willows on Road Y and Road X. Mr. Arredondo will be taking care of these, as it is a visual impairment for drivers. Mr. Arredondo would really like to be able to burn them vs. having to mow them. Commissioner Lovato suggests reaching out to the Fire Marshall, as he would be able to assist with this.

Sheriff Warwick came in to discuss the purchase of two vehicles from Yuma County. He received a call from the Sheriff's Department in Yuma County on Friday night and they are willing to sell one vehicle for \$7,500.00 or both for \$14,000.00. Both vehicles would come fully equipped with the exception of radios. These packages, if not already installed, would cost in upwards of \$5,000.00 per vehicle, so having this saves the Sheriff's department a substantial amount of money. There is money in the Sheriff's budget of \$6,800.00 from the vehicle that was struck by lightning. There are also two new cars on the budget for 2017.

If allowed to purchase these two vehicles, Sheriff Warwick would be able to reduce the 2017 budget to one vehicle. Per Yuma County, one vehicle is ready for purchase now; the other would be ready for pick up in 4-6 weeks. Commissioner Lovato questions Sheriff Warwick where the remaining money would come from. Co-Administrator Lambert advises that the county is looking at a \$140,000.00 surplus for 2016. It would be a good idea to use some of the fund balance to cover this as it is a very good deal, and would help to cut down the budget for 2017. Sheriff Warwick explains he does not have a line item in his budget for new vehicles every year, if he did, then he could just buy new vehicles and not have to address it with the Commissioners. He brings in enough money for this, but those funds are not returned to his budget, they go into the general fund. He stresses the fact that he and his staff run the vehicles they have into the ground baring an accident or a lightning strike, and they have all used equipment; such as the radios from another department.

With these two vehicles, he could transfer one of the SUV's to the transport vehicle, as an SUV is necessary for this. If he cannot purchase the two used vehicles this year, he will have to purchase two brand new vehicles next year, which would require a police package and install on top of the purchase price. This would end up costing substantially more money than the two used vehicles available now. Commissioner Lovato questions if they can use a police package from a retired vehicle on a new vehicle, and if they still have the police package in the explorer that is crashed behind the Sheriff's office. Sheriff Warwick informs the BOCC that this is possible, and that the explorer still has a police package that could be used on a new vehicle next year, but would still require the installation.

Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson comments, as they have gone through the 2017 budget process they have been looking for ways to use up funds this year to take the burden off next year; and this does that.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ALLOW SHERIFF WARWICK TO PURCHASE TWO VEHICLES FROM YUMA COUNTY AT A MAXIMUM OF \$14,000.00.

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson asks Sheriff Warwick about the kiosk in Crestone. He informs Sheriff Warwick that they have put signs up around the kiosk that say "No Parking from 10P.M. to 6A.M." Residents are not happy about this, but they are hoping to deter what has become a used car lot up there. Sheriff Warwick was not aware of the signs. He assures Commissioner Chair Anderson that he will start giving out warnings and then ticket repeat offenders.

LUNCH

WENDI MAEZ, LAND USE ADMINISTRATOR, AIRPORT ADMINISTRATOR:

1. Stephen A. Smilack – Conditional Use request for Baca Grande Chalet Unit Two, Lot 4383. This request is to bring the property into compliance, because Mr. Smilack constructed two residences on this lot a few years back; and a CUP is required to bring the property into compliance.

Crestone/Baca Planning Commission recommended approval of this request during their regular meeting held on September 14, 2016 with the following condition: adjoining lots not to be consolidated in the future. The vote for this request as 2 ayes and 1 nay. The CBPC understands there is a conflict of interest with the BGPOA dues and the Saguache County regulations.

Administrator Wendi Maez informs the BOCC that Stephen Smilack built a second residence on this lot. His son, Simeon Smilack was in the audience to address the Commissioners in regards to this request. Everything other than the conditional use request has been completed. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson poses a question in regards to the nay vote from the committee. Mr. Smilack explains the nay vote was due to lack of revenue for the POA as their dues are according to lot, not residence per lot. It was a concern this would set a precedence and more residents would put a second residence on one lot vs., purchasing a second lot for this purpose, which in turn would hurt POA revenue. Commissioner Chair Anderson expresses this is a concern as half of the lots in the BACA have more than one residence, and he is unsure he wants to set that precedence. Mr. Smilack reminds the BOCC that the County has already assessed and has been assessing the

property with the two-residence value. Taxes have been paid this way for some time. The value originally was approximately \$160,000.00 and the County assessed and received taxes for a value of approximately \$300,000.00. Commissioner Chair Anderson agrees this will open up discussion on multiple levels; however, this could be a one-time decision, and might encourage the POA to re-evaluate their procedures.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL
USE REQUEST BY STEPHEN A. SMILACK FOR BACA GRANDE CHALET
UNIT TWO, LOT 4383.**

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO.

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

SAGUACHE COUNTY AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT – WENDI MAEZ:

1. Met with electrician and plumber to complete upgrades to the electrical and plumbing for the new rental.
VEMCO will do the upgrades on the electrical. Airport Manager Maez met with Stephens Plumbing on Friday, and spent two or more hours moving stuff around and getting things cleaned up. They are going to hook up water in the back bathroom only for right now.

Also, spoke in regards to connecting the large heaters again. In order to get this completed, permits would need to be pulled. The lines for these heaters would have to be replaced, as some were cracked by cold, some are copper, and some are not. All of this would have to be corrected and updated to code. There is a line that goes out to the propane tank that changes size at a joint that will need to be corrected as well. The heaters at the corners will be cleaned out so there will be heat there until the larger heaters can be installed. Stephens Plumbing will do a bid for everything that will need to be replaced and brought to code. The cost would have to be included in the 2017 budget. Three doors were replaced as well, with coded doors for security purposes.

2. Contract for rental will need to be signed by BOCC.
3. New doors installed at Leach Airport
Two of three doors were replaced as well, with coded doors for security purposes.
4. Met with Sheriff Warwick and architects for plans for the POSSIBLE construction of a new jail at the Saguache Airport.

This meeting was held so that if the sales tax passes we are one-step ahead of the progression. The lot across from Road and Bridge was also discussed, as it is a very big lot and could handle the jail etc., and all would fit without issue. Airport Manager Maez would have to submit plans to the FAA if this were to be at the airport. If it were just the shooting range and a storage it would not be necessary, but for a jail, etc., plans would be required.

LYN LAMBERT, WENDI MAEZ, CO-ADMINISTRATORS ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:
Administration Report for October 4, 2016

1. Administrator Lynn Lambert advises the BOCC has been presented with the 2017 preliminary budget. A copy has been given to the Clerk and Recorder, and a copy is on the County website. Administrator Lambert also advises she will be meeting with DSS director Linda Warsh to go over her newest budget on October 6th, and this will be presented to the BOCC once completed.
2. Supplemental Budget hearing at 2:30P.M.
3. Possible adoption of the Supplemental Budget at 3:00P.M.
4. Review and sign Wildland Fire Mitigation Cost Reimbursement Contract with Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Attorney Gibbons and Sheriff Warwick have both reviewed and given approval for BOCC to sign.

This document would allow us to be reimbursed if we should ever have to fight a wildfire.

5. Open vehicle bids received.

Two bids were received in regards to the advertised County vehicles for sale. The first bid from Diane Gonzales was for the Silver 1998 Ford Expedition located in the Road and Bridge parking lot. The bid is for \$810.00. The second bid received from John Ortega was also for the Silver 1998 Ford Expedition. This bid was for \$860.00. The minimum required bid was \$800.00. Neither bid sent in, was accompanied with the funds however; the vehicle postings did not require it.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO ACCEPT THE HIGHEST BID FROM
JOHN ORTEGA FOR THE SILVER 1998 FORD EXPLORER FOR \$860.00.**

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON.

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

6. SLV Ecosystem Council has requested a support letter for RREO Regional Studies Grant Application for 2017 to develop a region-wide waste diversion strategy for the San Luis Valley.

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT
FOR THE SLV ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL FOR THE 2017 REGIONAL STUDIES
GRANT APPLICATION.**

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON.

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGETS

Co-Administrator Lynn Lambert advises the BOCC that she has not received any written or email comments in regards to the Saguache 2016 Supplemental budget. Teresa Benms of the Center Post-Dispatch comments that she was unable to find this on the website. Co-Administrator Maez responds that the entire 2016 budget has been posted. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson asks Mrs. Benms if she has any comments in regards to the Supplemental budget. Mrs. Benms comments that she has seen

improvement, so she has no comments at this time. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson remarks as there are no other comments; he closes public comment at 2:32P.M.

ADOPTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGETS

**MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KEN ANDERSON TO ADOPT THE SUPPLEMENTAL
BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF SAGUACHE AS AMENDED FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR OF 2016 WITH AMENDMENTS ATTACHED.**

SECOND BY COMMISSIONER TIM LOVATO.

VOTES IN FAVOR: 3

VOTES AGAINST: 0

MOTION CARRIED

TRAVIS GAROUTTE, MOUNTAIN VALLEY SCHOOL – FITNESS TRACK

Mr. Garoutte was present to ask the BOCC if they would be willing to contribute to putting in a 20-station fitness trail around the school or possibly the town. The fitness trail is something Mr. Garoutte inherited and would like to see implemented. Mr. Garoutte has already spoken to the Town in regards to putting some of the stations in the park near Highway 285. He wants to set up all 20 stations, which would take approximately 80-100 person-hours to install. He was hoping to have some of the stations at the school and some at the park, so you can start and finish at either end. Mr. Garoutte is hoping to get a partnership with both the Town and the County to get this up and running. He also inherited a piece of playground equipment that has been in storage for a very long time, and does not want to see this happen to the fitness trail as well. Mr. Garoutte believes the fitness trail could be a very good asset for both the County and the Town of Saguache.

He welcomes any thoughts from the BOCC as to the placement of the trail. Mr. Garoutte had previously approached Commissioner Tim Lovato in regards to receiving help from the County with this project, and was told by Commissioner Lovato to present his idea to the board.

Mr. Garoutte advises the Board, that this is something he would really like to see the Town and County using, not just something put in for the sake of it being put in. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson comments that he likes the idea of trails. Commissioner Chair Anderson questions if there are connectors that could move it from the school to the park, around public housing maybe to pick up the population of who could benefit from this. It would be nice to see it stretched/spread out a bit to be of more use for people throughout the community.

Mr. Garoutte advises, it is really too late in the season to be able to get this installed this year. He is hoping that between himself, the Town, and the County; a great plan can be derived and implemented by next spring. Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson comments the trail would be great investment for the Town. Mr. Garoutte was hoping the County could help with some road graders, road base material, or some person-hours. He is thinking if the word gets out, and the community could be involved, it would be a great thing. Commissioner Chair Anderson agrees if the kids help, then they have ownership and can take pride in it. He advises that the Library, Public Housing, DSS, and Road and Bridge are all County owned that could be places around the Town a station could be placed. The Conservation Trust funds are something that could possibly help with this project. The BOCC agrees this is a great thing. The

Commissioners would like him to keep working with the Town and County to starting planning money for the plan, and then once it is ready, present it to the Commissioners so they are aware of how they can help.

Commissioner Chair Anderson advises Mr. Garoutte that they are putting in a trail with the help of GOCO funds right now in Crestone. It will help the community get from the Baca to the Charter School without the help of motorized transportation. The Wildlife Refuge, which sits just outside of Crestone, is looking to branch on to the trail as well.

Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson asks Administration if a copy of the Saguache County logo can be forwarded to the committee doing the bike race. The logo online cannot be blown up to the size they need for sponsor advertising without pixilating. Co-Administrator Wendi Maez advises to contact Timothy Chacon at Velocity Graphics as he did all of the logos for the Saguache County vehicles.

BILL PAYING:

ADJOURN: There being no further business: Commissioner Chair Jason Anderson adjourns at 2:43P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

RHIANNON CURRY FOR CARLA GOMEZ, CLERK & RECORDER

DATE MINUTES APPROVED 10.18.16

Jason Anderson
JASON ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER,
BOARD CHAIR

Ken Anderson
KEN ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

Tim Lovato
TIM LOVATO, COMMISSIONER

Carla Gomez
ATTEST
CARLA GOMEZ
CLERK & RECORDER

